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ballast, with a crew of 22, of whom 7 were from this port; no passengers.

The British steamship *Santiago*, for Ancon, Canal Zone, on the 25th, with general cargo, 72 cabin and 44 steerage passengers, and 6 new members of crew from this port.

The British steamship *Duneric*, for San Francisco, Cal., on the 25th, with no cargo or passengers from this port and no changes in crew while here.

There has been no case of plague in Lima since the 14th instant, though rodents dead of the disease continue to be found, the last report being of the 23d instant.

No cases of plague have been reported for Callao since March 26, nor any of smallpox, except the case reported for the week ended May 19.

On the 26th instant, the British steamship *Chile* arrived here from Ancon, via Guayaquil and other ports, with 2 cases of yellow fever on board. The patients were removed to the hospital ship and the vessel has been thoroughly fumigated and is now in quarantine with all her personnel except one immune.

Bills of health from Chilean ports state as follows:

	Date.	Plague.	Smallpox.
Iquique	May 19	0	Present.
Antofagasta	May 17	9	9

Smallpox is present in the neighborhood of Talcahuana, and plague reported present in Tacna.

Press reports from Valparaiso state that 2 cases of suspected plague occurred in Vina del Mar, near Valparaiso, during the week ended May 12.

The following statistics of plague in Peru are received from Dr. Julian Arce, director de salubridad.

Report on plague in Peru from May 15 to 23, 1906.

Locality.	Cases May 15.	New cases.	Recov- ered.	Died.	Cases May 23.
Lima	15	.....	3	1	11
Trujillo district	7	.....	1	.....	6
Lambayeque	4	.....	.....	.....	4
Mollendo	2	1	.....	.....	3
Mansefú	1	.....	.....	.....	1

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Report from Manila—Cholera and smallpox—Reappearance of cholera in Manila—Inspection of vessels.

Chief Quarantine Officer Heiser reports, May 17, as follows:

Week ended May 12, 1906. Quarantinable diseases reported for the city of Manila as follows: Smallpox, 1 case, no deaths; cholera, 6 cases, 6 deaths.

During the same period, cholera was reported from the provinces as follows:

Province.	Cases.	Deaths.
Cavite.....	3	3
Pampanga.....	1	1
Rizal.....	11	8
Total	15	12

Cholera again made its appearance in Manila on May 9, after a period of absence lasting from March 21. One case occurred on the 9th, 2 on the 10th, and 3 on the 11th. Every possible effort was made to trace the source of infection, but so far all attempts have been unsuccessful. The first case occurred in the person of a beggar, who was known to have been in the city for at least several weeks. As far as could be learned, he ate only such food as is common to the poorer classes. While it has not been possible to trace any connection between the cases, yet they have all occurred in the district of Tondo, and all of them in houses that border on the same estero.

The situation in the provinces continues to be favorable, only a few cases being reported. At the present time the annual fiesta at Antipolo, which is situated within 15 miles of Manila, and usually lasts more than a month, and at which often from 40,000 to 50,000 persons are present, is now taking place. Every effort is being made to dispose of the excreta of these pilgrims in a sanitary manner, but in a town in which the normal population of 3,000 is suddenly augmented to more than 40,000 or 50,000, the difficulties that are encountered in that work will be appreciated.

During the week vessels for United States ports were treated as follows:

On May 6 the British steamship *Taiyuan*, with 72 crew and 4 passengers, en route from Yokohama to Zamboanga, was granted a supplemental bill of health. All on board were inspected at the hour of sailing.

On May 7 the American bark *Hayden Brown*, with 13 crew, was granted a bill of health for Port Townsend. Crew were inspected daily for five days prior to sailing.

On May 9 the British steamship *Dakotah*, with 47 crew, en route from Hongkong and Cebu to San Francisco, was granted a supplemental bill of health. All persons on board were inspected at hour of sailing. Cargo certified, 2,000 packages.

On May 11 the British steamship *Seneca*, with 50 crew and 1 passenger, was granted a supplemental bill of health for Boston and New York after the usual inspection of personnel and cargo. Miscellaneous cargo certified, 4,276 packages.

PORTO RICO.

Report from Ponce—Summary of transactions, May, 1906.

Acting Asst. Surg. Ferrer Torres reports, June 2, as follows:

Month of May, 1906.

Vessels inspected.....	11
Bill of health issued	26
Passengers inspected:	
Incoming.....	91
In transit.....	583